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SUBJECT: FY 77 LABOR EXCHANGE PROGRAM: SOHYO URBAN
PROBLEMS STUDY TEAM

REF: A. TOKYO 10940; B. TOKYO 11147

1. ALL ELEMENTS INVOLVED SOUNDED OUT. APPEAR TO BE NO
OBJECTIONS IN PRINCIPLE TO PROPOSED SOHYO URBAN PROBLEMS

STUDY TEAM PROVIDED CAREFUL HANDLING.

2. AFL-CIO STRESSES THAT: A. NUMBERS OF SOHYO AND DOMEI
EXCHANGEES SHOULD CONTINUE REMAIN EQUAL; B. TEAM SHOULD
HAVE CONTACTS WITH BRAC AND COMPLETELY AVOID TEAMSTERS;
C. TEAM SHOULD BE PROGRAMMED WITH STATE FEDERATIONS OF
MUNICIPAL AND STATE WORKERS; AND D. TEACHERS' UNION SHOULD
BE REGARDED AS NATIONAL COUNTERPART OF TEAM.

3. TEAM WOULD BE RECEIVED AT AFL-CIO NATIONAL HQS.,
PRIMARILY FOR MEETINGS WITH PERSONNEL IN OFFICES OF
URBAN AFFAIRS AND POLITICAL EDUCATION.

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4. IN SOUNDING OUR AFL-CIO, REGIONAL LABOR ADVISOR
DREW UPON AND PROVIDED INFORMATION FROM REF B. THIS
PROVED HELPFUL.

5. WE WELCOME POST INTEREST IN EXPANDING CONTACTS WITH
MEMBERS OF JAPAN'S LARGEST LABOR FEDERATION.

6. AS DISCUSSED WITH MCDONALD IN MAY, ILAB AWAITING
FY77 LEP PROPOSAL. WOULD APPRECIATE STATUS REPORT
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